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For : REPAIR OF LARYNX, TRACHEA, AND OTHER
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AMENDMENT AND REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

This is in reply to the May 7, 2003 Office Action in the above-identified application. Applicants submit concurrently herewith a Petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) and the fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1) to extend the time for replying to the Office Action for a period of one month up to and including September 8, 2003 (September 7, 2003 being a Sunday).

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of the paper.

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Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.